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SYNOPSIS

"COME AND GET ME!"

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The smouldering enmity of Joe Boggs, straw boss of the Bar-A ranch, for Clay Conners, one of his punchers, develops into grim hostility when Janet, daughter of the ranch owner, shows a preference for Conner's society.

In attempting to establish himself in her regard, Boggs becomes persistent to the point of annoyance. Seeing and resenting this attitude, Conners interferes and a fight follows.

Victory is withheld from Conners by the interference of two of Boggs' friends who hold Clay while Boggs administers the beating he would otherwise have been incapable of. This is stopped when Janet's father, known as "Stormy" McLeod, sees the men fighting and fires them all, angrily refusing to hear Clay's explanation.

Boggs and his friends while waiting inside to be paid off find the desk open and rifle it of a sum of money it contains. Clay, following them in, finds them with it and holds them up, but he is overcome and when McLeod enters he finds Clay with the money, the other men claiming to have caught him committing the robbery. Although Janet has convinced McLeod that Conners was not to blame for the fight, McLeod believes him guilty.

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of the robbery. Clay, realizing that explanations are useless, escapes by a trick, leaving the men locked in the room. The punchers follow, headed by McLeod, but fail to find him.

Conners decides to go to the district school where Janet teaches that he may say good-bye before he leaves the country, for he knows none of the pupils will have arrived so early. "Speck", McLeod's son, who is on his way to school, sees Clay, and taking his horse rides to find the cowboys that he may lead them to Conners.

Meanwhile Boggs and his companions come by the school, fleeing with the remainder of McLeod's money, and Boggs decides to go in and see Janet once more. Entering, he finds Clay there before him, but unarmed, so at the point of his gun he forces Janet to tie Conner's hands behind him. He now turns his attention to the girl. She, frightened, runs into a back room where Boggs follows her, locking the door behind him.

Although Clay manages to free his hands, he finds himself unable to break through the solid door. Seeing a transom above it gives him an idea and taking the rope he laasses one of Boggs' legs through the transom, then pulls the rope until Boggs is hanging helpless, head-down against the door. He is pulled away by Boggs' friends, who enter just then and commence fighting him. During this the rope is held in place by the fact that the transom has slammed down onto it.

In the meantime "Speck" McLeod has found some of the punchers and they head back towards the school, to arrest Conners, as they suppose. However, when they arrive and stop the fight, confession is finally forced from one of Boggs' friends, and so Boggs and his companions are arrested, while Clay remains at the schoolhouse with Janet, both of them happy that he has been cleared from suspicion.

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